U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO				Complete if Known		
				Application Number	09/965,776	
INFOF	RMATION DIS	SCL	DSURE	Filing Date	September 27, 2001	
STATI	STATEMENT BY APPLICANT			First Named Inventor	Harald BECK	
				Art Unit	3657	
(Use as many sheets as necessary)			necessary)	Examiner Name	Thomas J. Williams	
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	10191/1975	

	U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
Initials *		Number - Kind Code ² (<i>if known</i>)	MM-DD-YYYY			
		US- 5,984,429*	11-16-1999	Nell et al.		
		US- 4,327,414**	04-27-1982	Klein		

^{*}Corresponds to DE 196 11 360 ** Corresponds to DE 29 26 017

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
		Foreign Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where	
Examiner Cite Initials* No.1		Country Code ³ - Number ⁴ - Kind Code ⁵ (<i>if known</i>)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY		Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T^6
		DE 199 50 029***	04-12-2001	Robert Bosch GmbH		
		DE 29 26 017 ***	02-12-1981	Alfred Teves GmbH		
		DE 196 11 360***	09-25-1997	Daimler Benz AG		

^{***} English-language abstract provided herewith.

	NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T 2			

Examiner Signature	Date Considered	

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Nichologo document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. **SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents**, **P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.**